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Honorable Felix J. Boudreaux
Commissioner of Conservation
P.O. Box 94275, Capitol Station
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: Application Notice
2 Marker Sand, Reservoir C
TIGER PASS FIELD
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Ridgelake Energy, Inc. ("Applicant") hereby makes application to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the 2 Marker Sand, Reservoir C, in the Tiger Pass Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the 2 Marker Sand, Reservoir C.
2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the 2 Marker Sand, Reservoir C.
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
4. To designate Ridgelake Energy, Inc. as operator of the unit designated 2 MKR RC SUA.
5. To designate the Ridgelake Energy, Inc. - Lura Duff Elliston et al No. 3 Well as the unit well for the unit designated 2 MKR RC SUA.
6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to this application.

The 2 Marker Sand in the Tiger Pass Field is defined as that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 2,346 feet and 2,400 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Robert O'Meara - Poitevent Cattle Farms Inc. et al No. 1 Well, located in Section 6, Township 22 South, Range 31 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

A timely request for the conference tentatively scheduled in the pre-application notice dated April 29, 2002 was received and therefore the conference was held. A copy of the list of parties who attended the conference is attached. The conference was opened by the undersigned who also explained the basis of the applicants unit proposal. A brief discussion and answer period followed. The conference was adjourned with no opposition being expressed to the applicants proposal. Opposition is not expected at the hearing.

All pertinent data relating to the subject application is available for inspection at the Offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

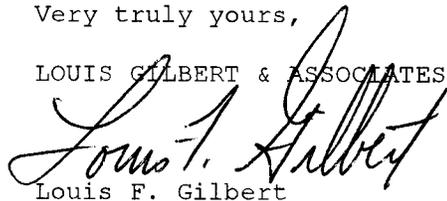
The Applicant will provide for posting a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and a copy of the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected by this application and will cause the publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of the Tiger Pass Field. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure.

There is attached hereto and made a part hereof, a plat outlining the proposed unit and a list of names and addresses of the Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties to whom this notice is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of Parties is being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. The aforementioned list is available upon request to any Interested Party. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties as required by the Revised Rules of Procedure.

There is enclosed herewith on behalf of the Applicant a check made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.



Louis F. Gilbert

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson (w/enclosures)
District Manager
Office of Conservation

Mr. Mike Kristensen (w/enclosures)

Ms. Grace Coppola (w/enclosures)

Interested Parties, Interested Owners
and Represented Parties (w/plat)

